

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

July 28, 2006

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**RE: REPLY TO JULY 18, 2006 RESTRICTION  
FOR: SERIAL NUMBER 10/709,081; ART UNIT 3641; FILED 09/07/2004;  
TITLE: FIREARM PROJECTILE APPARATUS, METHOD, AND PRODUCT BY PROCESS  
EXAMINER: JAMES S. BERGIN**

Dear Sir:

In reply to the above-referenced restriction, *applicant hereby elects group I, containing claims 1-87.*

On July 26, 2006, applicant's counsel conferred by telephone with examiner Bergin, and agreement was reached to modify the species and sub-species restrictions (point 14 of the restriction), which counsel looks forward to seeing confirmed in a forthcoming interview summary from examiner Bergin.

In particular, it was agreed that Species B includes the embodiment of Figure 7 insofar as this embodiment, like that of Figures 17 and 18, is used to create a filled (versus unfilled) chamber cavity, see paragraph 93. It was further agreed that species C includes the embodiment of Figure 19 insofar as this embodiment employs a discarding pressure shield, see paragraph 95 (*sic*, insofar as the reference in the third sentence, to Figure 18, should refer to Figure 19). Finally, it was agreed that there is now added a new sub-species e, for the embodiment depicted in Figure 19, insofar as this figure discloses a pressure shield comprising a "solid, porous material," see paragraph 96.

As to species and subspecies, *applicant hereby elects species A, drawn to Figures 1-6 and 8-10, and applicant hereby elects subspecies e, drawn to a pressure shield embodiment comprising a "solid, porous material" as in Figure 19.*

The following claims are generic to all species and subspecies: 1-14, 22-26, 44-51, 56-61, 64-66, 68-80, 85.

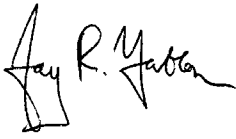
The following claims read on elected species A and are generic to all subspecies: 15, 20, 27, 28, 33-37, 62, 67, 86.

The following claims read on elected sub-species e, and are generic to all species: 19, 43, 55, 84.

The following claim reads on both elected species A and elected subspecies e: 32

Applicant hereby requests further examination of this application based on the elections made herein.

Very Truly Yours,

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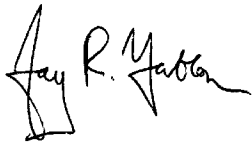
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